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In re Patent Application of:
Richard E. Rowe

Application No.: 09/761,031

Filed: January 16, 2001

For: CASINO GAMBLING MACHINE WITH
BONUS ROUND AWARD REDEMPTION

Art Unit: 3714

Examiner: Steven L. Ashburn

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.116

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This amendment is being submitted in response to the Final Office Action dated July 14, 2004. This amendment is therefore timely filed within the period for response. It is believed that no additional fees are due for entry of this amendment. However, if additional fees are due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fees to deposit account number 13-2855. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 22 of this paper.

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